Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A compound represented by the formula (I)

wherein R¹ is

(1) a group represented by the formula (IIb) in which n is an integer of 2 to 5,

$$H_3C - \left(O - CH_2CH_2\right)_n$$
 (IIb)

- (2) a straight or branched C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by a pyridyl group optionally having a C_{1-3} alkyl substituent on the pyridine ring, or
- (3) a tetrahydrofuranyl group or a tetrahydropyranyl group;

 R^2 is a straight or branched $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, optionally substituted by a phenyl; and

R³ is hydrogen, a straight or branched C₁₋₆ alkyl or is selected from the group consisting of cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl and cyclohexyl.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously presented) The compound as claimed in Claim 1, wherein R¹ is a group of the formula (IIb)

$$H_3C - \left(O - CH_2CH_2\right)_n$$
 ([]b)

in which n is an integer of 2 to 5.

4-5. (Cancelled)

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- 6. (Previously presented) The compound as claimed in Claim 1, wherein R³ is cyclopropyl.
- 7. (Previously presented) The compound of Claim 1 selected from the group consisting of ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 5-methoxy-3-oxapentyl ester, ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 8-methoxy-3,6-dioxaoctyl ester, ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 11-methoxy-3,6,9-trioxaundecanyl ester, or ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-3-(cyclopropylamino)-2,3-dioxopropyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl ester.
- **8.** (Previously presented) A medicament comprising the compound as claimed in Claim 1.

9-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Previously presented) The compound as claimed in Claim 1, which is ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 5-methoxy-3-oxapentyl ester.